



Simple Pinball Game for Kids

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SUMMARY

If you want to create a kids' pinball that isn't a real pinball machine, then this project is for you. There are no bumpers, slingshot, pinball fingers, sound, etc.

Step 1 — Simple Pinball Game for Kids



- Here is an example of a simple pinball game for kids.

Step 2



Materials

- 1= Nails
- 2= Elastic or rubber bands
- 3= Small and medium dowels
- 4= Big stick
- 5= Plank

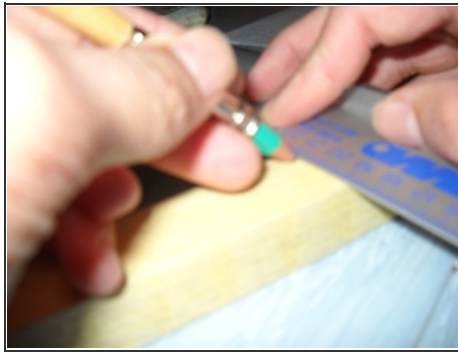
Step 3



Tools

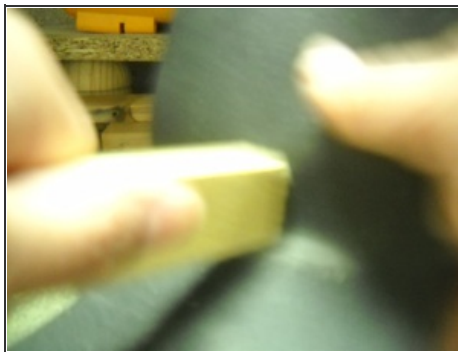
- 1= Wood glue
- 2= Felt-tip marker (e.g., for CD/DVD)
- 3= Pen
- 4= Hammer
- 5= Saw
- 6= Ruler

Step 4



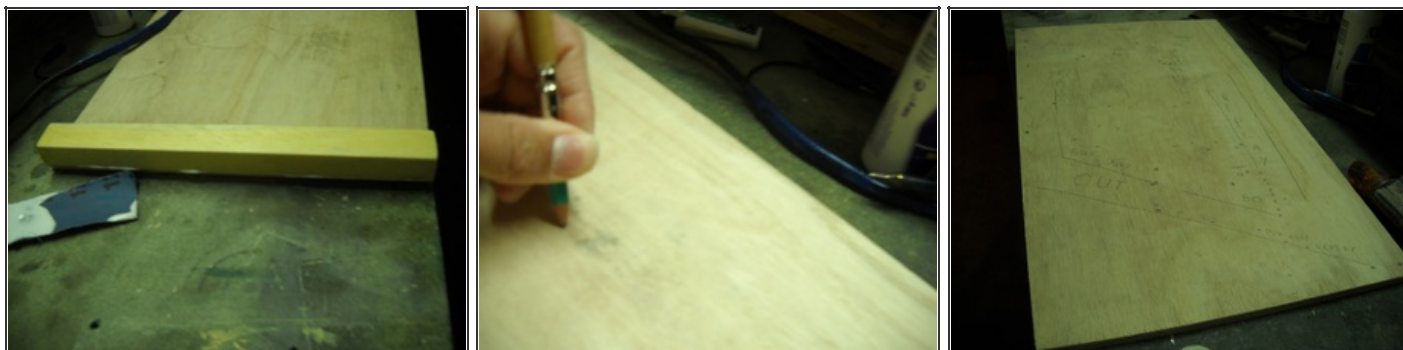
- First, measure the plank's width with the ruler and mark this length on the big stick.
- Saw the big stick to the same length as the width of the plank.

Step 5



- After the stick is cut to length, sand it smooth with sandpaper.
- Now put some wood glue on the stick and glue it to the back of the plank at one end.

Step 6



- When the glue has dried, turn the plank over and draw the design of your pinball game on the top. Here is an example.

Step 7



- Hammer in the nails, following your design. Be careful not to hit your fingers!

Step 8



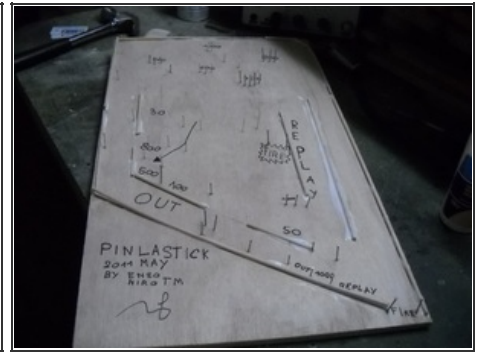
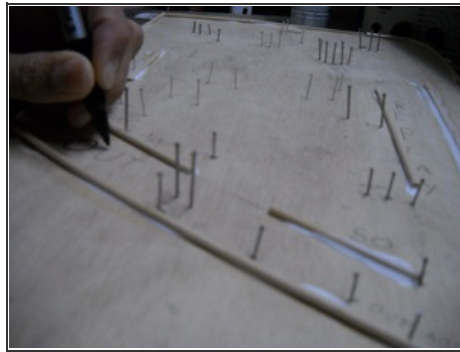
- Mark the dowels for length, cut them and glue them to the plank.

Step 9



- You can create a banister as shown.
- [Here](#) is a video tutorial for creating this item.

Step 10



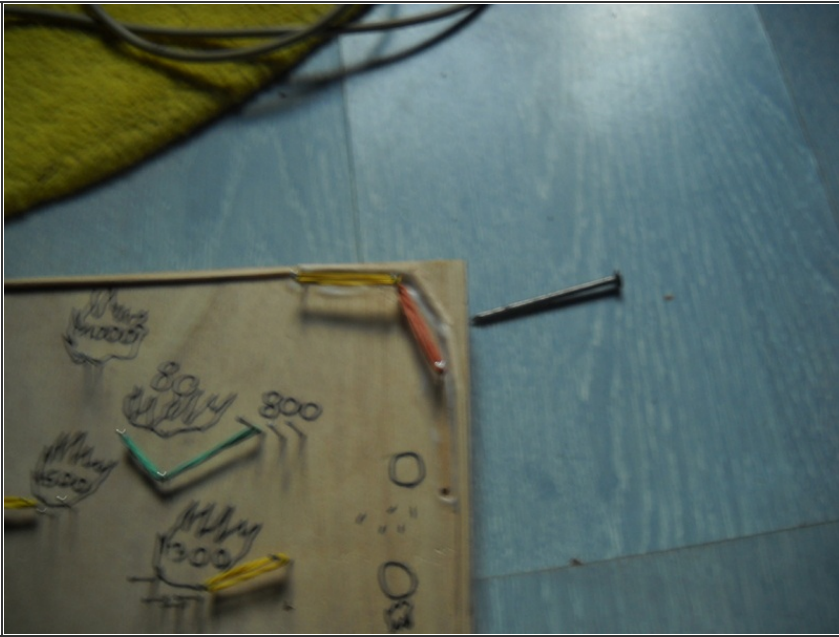
- When the glue has dried, you can embellish your design with the felt-tip marker.

Step 11



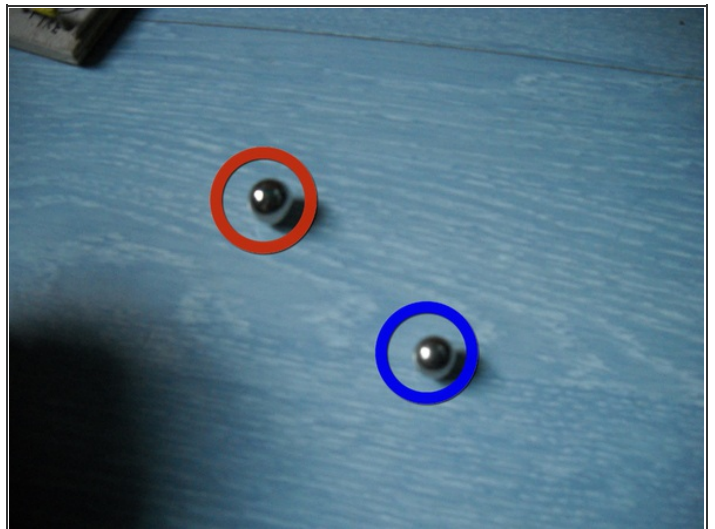
- Now stretch the rubber bands around the nails to create bumpers and the launcher.

Step 12



- You can add bumpers along the banister with nails and rubber bands as shown.

Step 13



- Now your kids' pinball is finished!
- To play with the kids' pinball you have two choices:
 - A geomag ball
 - An electromag ball
- [Here](#) is a demo of my kids' pinball.